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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Lawrence E. Brice

Serial No.: 10/706,588

Group Art Unit: 3679

Filing Date: November 12, 2003

Examiner: James M. Hewitt

For: CLAMP ASSEMBLY

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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 8, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

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02 FC:2202	108.00 OP

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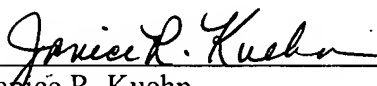
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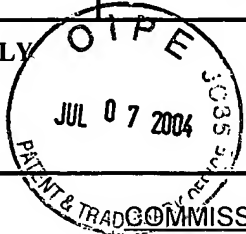


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<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)</b>				Docket No. <b>MPD-10502/08</b>	
Applicant(s): <b>Lawrence E. Brice</b>					
Application No. <b>10/706,588</b>	Filing Date <b>November 12, 2004</b>	Examiner <b>James M. Hewitt</b>	Customer No. <b>25006</b>	Group Art Unit <b>3679</b>	Confirmation No. <b>6678</b>
Invention: <b>CLAMP ASSEMBLY</b>					
					
<p>Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27</p> <p>The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.</p>					
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Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					\$0.00
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>					<b>\$151.00</b>
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